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3. USS "Essex" Visits Jidda. October 31: USN's carrier "Essex" and destroyers of Carrier Division 18 made one-day visit to Jidda. Over 200 Saudi notables were guests of Division Admiral Donald Gay, Jr., during spectacular demonstration anti-sub capabilities of Essex's aircraft and destroyers. Minister of Defense Prince SULTAN bin 'Abd al-'Aziz and Amir Mecca Prince MISH'AL bin 'Abd al-'Aziz headed guest list for highly successful visit. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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3. "Essex" Visit. Advance press notice of visit of U.S. Carrier "Essex," other units of Carrier Division 18 carried in leading Jidda dailies, coverage included photos. According one source, wide coverage following visit, planned by al-Bilad editor, discouraged on orders from Ministry Information. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

For the Ambassador:

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